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AND RELATED COMPOSITIONS**

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ELECTION

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Requirement for Restriction, mailed May 27, 2003, applicant elects Group I, claims 1-2, 4, 8, 15-16 and 20, drawn to nucleic acid molecules encoding fusion proteins comprising an oil body targeting protein and a thioredoxin-related protein comprising one or both of thioredoxin or thioredoxin reductase, and methods for their use to transform fungal or animal cells for the production of oil bodies containing the individual protein or a multimeric protein, without traverse, for examination on the merits.

REMARKS

A check for the fee for a one month extension of time accompanies this response. A Petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(e) with the requisite fee, also accompanies this response. Any fees that may be due in connection with filing this paper or with this application may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-1213. If a Petition for Extension of time is needed, this paper is to be considered such Petition.

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